

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A stabilizer for stabilizing a card cage
2 within an expansion card enclosure, to facilitate ~~facilitating~~ manipulation of a computer
expansion card within the card cage ~~an expansion card enclosure, the stabilizer~~
4 comprising:
a base configured for attachment to the expansion card enclosure; and
6 a tab extending from said base for engaging the a card cage, wherein said card
cage is maintained in a first position for manipulating an expansion card in the card cage
8 when engaged with said tab.
2. (Original) The stabilizer of claim 1, wherein said expansion card is
2 operable with a computer system coupled to the expansion card enclosure when the card
cage is attached to the expansion card enclosure in a second position.
3. (Original) The stabilizer of claim 1, further comprising a mount for a
2 status indicator configured to indicate a status of the expansion card enclosure.
4. (Original) The stabilizer of claim 1, wherein said base is further
2 configured for removable attachment to the expansion card enclosure.
5. (Original) The stabilizer of claim 1, wherein said tab extends from
2 said base and defines a slot between said base and said tab.
6. (Original) The stabilizer of claim 1, wherein
2 said base comprises:
a top; and
4 a plurality of edges; and
said tab extends upward from said top of said base and an end of said tab is
6 substantially parallel and vertically aligned with one of said edges.

2 7. (Original) The stabilizer of claim 6, wherein one or more of said tab
and said one edge are beveled.

2 8. (Currently Amended) An enclosure for computer expansion cards,
wherein the enclosure is electrically connectable to a computer system for operation of
the expansion cards, said enclosure comprising:

4 a removable cage comprising connectors configured to receive the ~~for one or~~
~~more computer~~ expansion cards; and

6 a stabilizer for stabilizing said removable cage as an expansion card is
manipulated in said removable cage;

8 wherein said stabilizer is uncoupled from said removable cage during operation of
the expansion cards.

2 9. (Original) The enclosure of claim 8, wherein the removable cage is
stabilized by said stabilizer in a first position different from a second position in which
said expansion card is operable within said removable cage.

2 10. (Original) The enclosure of claim 8, wherein said stabilizer comprises
a mount for a status indicator configured to indicate a status of the enclosure.

2 11. (Original) The enclosure of claim 8, wherein said stabilizer comprises
a tab extending from a first surface of the stabilizer;

4 wherein said tab is configured to facilitate stabilization of said removable cage
between said tab and said first surface.

2 12. (Original) The enclosure of claim 11, wherein said stabilizer further
comprises means for securing said stabilizer to the enclosure.

2 13. (Original) The enclosure of claim 11, wherein said securing means
comprises a captive screw.

14. (Original) An enclosure for housing multiple computer expansion
2 cards, comprising:
an expansion card assembly comprising multiple expansion card slots for
4 accepting computer expansion cards; and
a stabilizer configured to stabilize said expansion card assembly while a first
6 expansion card is manipulated in said assembly;
wherein the enclosure is no more than one rack unit in height.

15. (Original) The enclosure of claim 14, further comprising means for
2 coupling said enclosure to an external computer system to enable operation of said
computer expansion cards with the computer system.

16. (Original) The enclosure of claim 14, wherein said expansion card
2 assembly is removable.

17. (Original) The enclosure of claim 16, wherein said expansion card
2 assembly is maintained in a first orientation during operation of said computer expansion
cards; and
4 said expansion card assembly is stabilized by said stabilizer in a second
orientation during said manipulation of said first expansion card.

18. (Original) The enclosure of claim 17, wherein said second orientation
2 is substantially perpendicular to said first orientation.

19. (Original) The enclosure of claim 14, wherein said stabilizer
2 comprises a status indicator configured to indicate a status of the enclosure.

20. (New) The enclosure of claim 8, wherein:
2 said stabilizer comprises:
a base having a top and a plurality of edges; and
4 a tab extending upward from said top of said base; and

an end of said tab is substantially parallel and vertically aligned with one of said
6 edges.